

FROM THE BRIDGE

Pop Warner Grid Program Best Yet

By BILL SCHIPPER—Sports Editor

In the fall a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of football and it will be especially so this year for Torrance youngsters.

For the nationally recognized, fast-growing Pop Warner kids' tackle football program is being given a start here by an association of youth-minded adults who are beginning to kick their heels and get this thing off the ground floor.

Despite the fact that the association, headed by president Dave Watson, is lacking sponsors, coaches, an official "name" and even a home playing field, it is going full steam ahead and promises to field at least two teams for play this fall, in both the "midget (90-115 pounds) and "peewee" (65-90 pounds) divisions.

Tackle football for kids 9, 10, 11, and 12 years of age has been put under a scrutinizing eye by many "official" persons, and the controversy as to whether or not football is good for young boys is raging hot and heavy in state department of education, community recreation programs, and village school systems, but it has been virtually unanimously proclaimed by mothers and fathers, coaches and sportsmen, as well as physicians and school administrators as just about the greatest invention since the electric-light bulb.

We do not have the space here to debate the pros and cons of the program, but it's our opinion that the Pop Warner program outdoes even Little League baseball and Bidley Basketball. And I have been associated recently with all three, as a coach.

Pop Warner football has been very carefully tailored to meet the needs of the growing boy. Teams are equated according to age, size, and weight and all are full and properly uniformed. It is estimated that it takes at least \$1500 to uniform one team of about 30 players.

We feel that the program should not have to wait any longer before planting roots in this mushrooming city. Neighboring towns such as Redondo, Gardena, Westchester, Venice, Santa Monica, and Palos Verdes have all endorsed the program.

In a city of this size, it is ridiculous when such a civic and youth-minded group such as Watson's should have to scrape, pull and battle to put together a couple of teams when Torrance has the resources and the raw material for an entire league, but—as in the past where baseball was concerned—you can almost bet that a minority of uninformed persons will be knocking the program at every turn.

One final note on the Pop Warner thing—inasmuch as coaches are being sought, why not contact Cliff Graybehl of North High School? The former long-time Torrance High grid coach would be just the one to get the Torrance association into second gear—and we can't think of a more qualified person in the city.

Speaking of Graybehl reminds us that one of his former coaching sidekicks at Torrance High—Vernon Wolfe—has just accepted a special coaching assignment at San Jose State College.

Wolfe—who handled football and baseball as well as track teams at Torrance from 1950 to '53 before moving on to achieve national recognition as one of the finest high school track tutors in the business at North Phoenix High, (Arizona)—will handle just the freshman field event men at San Jose where his switch becomes effective in the fall semester.

At North Phoenix Wolfe developed the world's first 15-foot prep pole vaulter—Tom Brewer, tutored the famed shot put muscle man, Dallas Long, who set the national high school shot put record by flinging the 12-pound ball more than 60 feet, plus a kid named Johnson who was one of the nation's top prep discus men.

An example of Wolfe's influence with his proteges is the story behind Long's success. When Dallas, a 6-4, 260 pound teen-ager, entered North Phoenix High, Wolfe put him to work lifting weights and watching movies of Parry O'Brien, so that he could master the champion's 180-degree spin-and-throw technique.

In his senior year Long gave up football, despite the fact that he had been an all-state tackle. The move paid off, and this year he'll probably be representing the U.S. in the Olympic Games in Rome.

Queried as if it was more than coincidence that all three prep national champions came under Graybehl wasted no time in replying "Heck no, he's just that good of a no time in replying "Heck no, he's just that good of a coach".

At Torrance, Wolfe started such spikers as Dennis Hester, Larry Roy, Gene Daimler, Larry Denning, and Don Kasten of fon the right foot and is credited with starting Torrance's track program "on the road back".

Roy and Denning still hold the school's varsity and "B" pole vault records, and Daimler is holder of North's pole vault mark.

Wolfe himself was a 14-foot vaulter at USC. An ex-Marine, the 28-year-old Wolfe is a product of Gardena High.

Richardson, Wilson Pitch Torrance Into First Place in Legion Standings



TOM RICHARDSON
Slugger Too

At Hollypark—

Silver Spoon To Race in \$35,000 Vanity

Hollywood Park's biggest week-end of racing this season will see three stakes decided in as many days with the \$20,000 added Haggin tomorrow, the \$35,000 added Vanity Saturday and the \$50,000 added American on the Fourth of July, Monday.

The fireworks for the big week-end of thoroughbred racing will start popping with the running of the five-furlong Haggin, which is for two-year-old colts and geldings, and will bring the promising Olden Times, Mr. America and King Kameha to the starting line, among others.

THE MILE and one-eighth Vanity Handicap on Saturday will bring the magnificent Silver Spoon, a galloping winner of the Milady mile, to the post in an effort to win the older filly and mare championship of the meeting.

The hard-hitting Honeyes Gem, Bien Hostess, Legato, Midnight Date, Mountain Glory, Queen America, Tritoma and Bitter Feud are named to oppose her.

Silver Spoon will be after her fifth stake win of the year in the Vanity. In preparation the great Citation filly drilled a mile in 1:38 flat last Monday. She will have a new rider in the Vanity, as the five-day suspension of her regular pilot, Bill Shoemaker, lasts through Saturday.

BAGDAD, winner of the recent \$54,350 Inglewood Handicap over Fleet Nasrullah, will seek to make it two in a row in the mile and one-eighth American Handicap, final major race for handicap stars before the running of the \$162,100 Hollywood Godd Cup July 16.

Since winning the mile and one-sixteenth Californian, Fleet Nasrullah has been unplaced in two starts, finishing fourth to Liberal Lady in the five and a half-furlong Hollywood Express and fourth to Bagdad in the mile and one-sixteenth Inglewood.

New Ram Center Art Hunter Signs '60 Grid Contract

Art Hunter, former Cleveland Brown center recently obtained in a trade which sent John Morrow to the Eastern Division club, has returned his signed contract to the Rams, it was announced today by Ram general manager Elroy Hirsch.

The former Notre Dame All American is considered by Ram coaches to be one of the finest blocking linemen in the NFL.

El Camino Middle League Sponsors Dance on Friday

A dance to raise funds for the El Camino Middle League will be held at 8 p.m. Friday at the Gardena V.F.W. Hall. The event, sponsored by the league's auxiliary, will feature THE SUNDOWNERS dance band, according to the president, Mrs. Forest Miller. She said the public is invited.

Lefties Hurl Twin Wins, Lead South by One Game

The talented left arms of Tommy Richardson and Ray Wilson combined to pitch Torrance's American Legion baseball entry into undisputed first place in the Bay League last weekend with respective 4-3 and 7-2 triumphs over El Segundo and Gardena.

The double win gave Manager Ozzie Grimes' club a 6-1 tie record, and a one game lead over second place intracity rival South Torrance which won and lost a pair with Hawthorne and El Segundo. Three weeks remain in the schedule.

Richardson, a slender and tricky portsider registered his four hits, 4-3, as he also collected the big hit of the game, a double down the leftfield line in the 2nd inning which scored two runs.

In 37 innings pitched, Tommy has whiffed 40 batters. His bat has been hot too, with 10 RBIs and a .428 percentage.

In Sunday's game, Wilson effectively scattered eight hits while teammates Bob Wallace (4-4), Jim Armstrong (home run) and Rick Jacobs, with a two-run producing double in the first inning sparked a 10-hit barrage.

This weekend, Torrance hosts Redondo (2-5) at Torrance Park at 1:30 on Sunday while South tackles Lomita at 1:30 Saturday at Torrance Park, then travels to Gardena for a Sunday windup.

For Manager Joe Clements' home run happy South Torrance nine, a grand slam home run poked by centerfielder Forrest (Bob) Hunt sparked a comeback behind 9 to 5 win over Hawthorne as relief pitcher Larry Thomas picked up the win on Saturday.

Sunday, despite home runs by Mike Andrews and Bob Wehrhan, the homebreds were cut down 12-7 as El Segundo unloaded a 14-hit assault off three South flingers.

Gardena scored six times in the 6th inning to insure the victory and pull into a tie for third place in the seven-team race.

Torrance, 4-3	El Segundo, 0-10	100	100	3	4	2	
Torrance, King (4), and Faccia; Richardson and McLean.	Torrance, 4-3	021	010	00x	—	8	1
South, 9-5	Hawthorne, 102	200	000	—	5	9	3
South, Adams (5), and Walsh; Baldwin, Adams (5), and Walsh; Andrews, Thomas (4), and Czarske.	Torrance, 7-2	Gardena, 110	000	000	—	2	8
Torrance, 302	100	20x	—	7	10	0	
Soupe, Guligan (4), and Berro; Wilson and Baker.	El Segundo, 12-7	South, 100	105	000	—	7	10
South, 130	108	10x	—	12	14	2	
Wehrhan, Thomas (6), Mewborn (8), and Czarske; Parente, Faccia (6), and Erickson.	Standings	W	L	T			
Torrance, 4-3	.....	5	2	1			
El Segundo, 0-10	.....	4	3	1			
Gardena, 2-5	.....	4	3	1			
Hawthorne, 10-2	.....	5	2	1			
Redondo, 2-5	.....	2	6	1			
Lomita, 1-6	.....	1	6	1			

THE OTHER "game" was more like a track meet, with the A Team romping around the bases at will to outclass the SW Park girls 30 to 1. Three home runs highlighted the rout, two by catcher Linda Vieth, and one by first baseman Nancy Roos.

A Team 15 11 1 3—30 15 2
SW Park 1 0 0 0—1 5 11
Farr and Vieth; Watt and Hart.

Charlie Bradshaw Signs With Rams For Two Years

Charlie Bradshaw, starting offensive right tackle for the Los Angeles Rams in 1959, has come to terms for the 1960 and 1961 seasons, general manager Elroy Hirsch has announced. Charlie hails from Center, Texas, where he and Del Shofner were teammates on the high school team.

Marzich Latest to Enter PBA Tourney

Andy Marzich of Inglewood, Southern California "Bowler of the Year" yesterday filed an entry to participate in the \$24,200 Southern California Open Championships, July 6-9, at the Bowl-O-Drome in Torrance.

The 1960 ABC Doubles Titleholder, Marzich joins his Catalano Enterprises teammates, Dick Jensen of Norwalk, in the four-day event, which will mark the sixth and final tournament on the first summer tour of the Professional Bowlers' Association.

MARZICH's acceptance of the 36-game challenge completes the lineup now to include all five members of the 1960 Southern California Bowling Writers' mythical all-star team.

Previously, Loy Countryman of Glendale, Carl Winfield of Hollywood, Jack Heydemann of Hollywood and 18-year-old Ron Winger of Van Nuys has been announced in the Alex Schreiber and Family Enterprises introduction of spectacular bowling here.

Tom Hennessey of St. Ann, Mo., who earned \$3500 for his

Red Devils in Weekend Split In 'Mack League

Dave Marsden hammered a game-tying homer to left field in the 8th inning then the Red Devils went on to score the clincher in the 9th Sunday for a 4-3 win and a weekend split with San Pedro and Hawthorne in the Connie Mack League.

Bo Palica's charges will take a day off Saturday then tackle Hawthorne at Lennox Hi Sunday at 3 p.m. as Dennis Hogue, Billy Morris, and Ken Ellsworth are all slated for three innings of mound duty.

Morris fanned nine and didn't walk a batter in receiving credit for the Sunday triumph as Steve Ramirez and Dwayne Merrill had two hits apiece for the winners.

Saturday, the Red Devils were clipped by San Pedro 5-3 despite Hogue and Illsworth combining forces to allow just four hits.

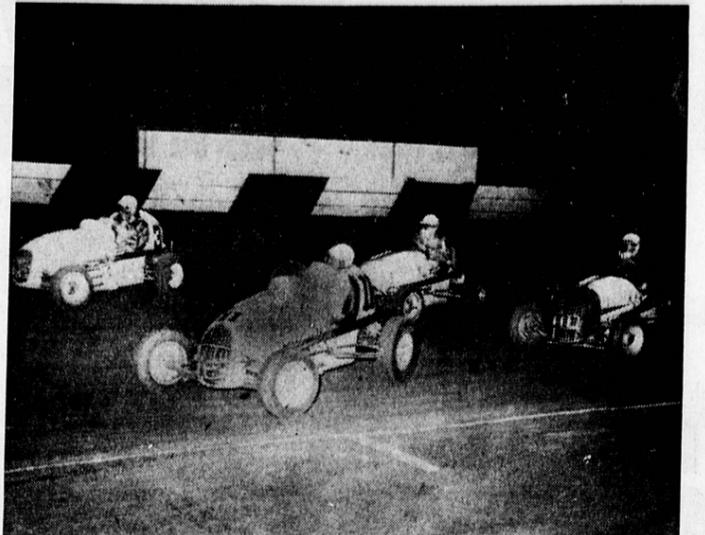
San Pedro, 5-3
Torrance 001 010 100—3 9 5
San Pedro 201 011 00x—5 4 4
Hogue, Ellsworth (8), and Marsden, McGuire; Tamm and Mladeneo.

Red Devils, 4-3
Hawthorne 000 120 000—3 7 3
Devils 020 001 001—4 8 3
Edwards and McGinty; Morris and McGuire.

Linda Vieth Wallops Two Homers as A Score 30-1 Victory

The Chargers won a big one Tuesday night in the Girls Softball League, defeating the Esabs 2-1. The first run came in the first inning on a walk, an infield out and a long single. The Esabs tied it up in the bottom of the 2nd, and a 1-1 tie remained until the top of the 4th, when the Chargers pushed over the winning run on two walks and a single.

R H E
Chargers 100 100—2 2 1
Esabs 010 100—1 3 0
McGee and Burns; Clements and Keller.



MIGHTY MIDGET . . . Action is hot and heavy when the mighty midgets roar and Saturday night's championship race at Ascot will draw many of the West's top drivers. Above, drivers Allen Heath, Don Staudinger, Don Milton, and Lowell Sachs vie for positions at high speeds around a tricky curve.

45 Mighty Midgets Set to Roar In Final Decider Saturday

Forty-five, powerful midget race cars will vie for 28 starting positions in Saturday night's 50-lap URA South West Championships feature at Ascot Stadium.

The United Racing Assn. will pit Offenhausers against Ford-engined machines in the chase around the fast, dirt half-mile track on Vermont Ave. at 182nd St.

Action opens at 8:30 with qualifying runs starting at 7. Veterans Allen Heath of Northridge and Don Cameron of La Mirada will stake their racing savvy against the brashness of such young lions as Long Beach's Don Staudinger

and Buddy Lee of Duarte, last year's top URA drivers. Lloyd Corbin of Anaheim in the former Billy Vukovich Kur-year's only two-time main event winner, heavy-footed

All will be out to halt the former Billy Vukovich Kur-year's only two-time main event winner, heavy-footed

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